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Remarks

It is respectfully requested that the instant reissue application be amended as set forth above upon filing of the instant application, so as to cancel claim 2, to amend claims 1, 3, 5, 8, 13, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 35, and 38, and to add claims 41-52. Thus, claims 1, 3-10, 12-20, 23-34, and 36-47 are now pending.

Status of the Claims

Original claims 1 and 3-40 are pending. Claims 41-52 have been added. Thus, claims 1 and 3-52 are pending.

Support for the limitations added to claims 1, 3, 5, 8, 13, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 35, and 38, may be found, for example, and without limitation, at Figs. 2 and 7, col. 3, line 26 through col. 5, line 15, col. 10, line 28 through col. 11, line 39, col. 12, line 27 through col. 13, line 45, col. 13, line 57 through col. 16, line 43, and col. 17, line 22 through col. 19, line 8 of the patent. Support for new claims 37-47 may be found, for example and without limitation, at Figs. 2 and 7, col. 3, line 26 through col. 5, line 15, col. 10, line 28 through col. 11, line 39, col. 12, line 27 through col. 13, line 45, col. 13, line 57 through col. 16, line 43, and col. 17, line 22 through col. 19, line 8 of the patent.

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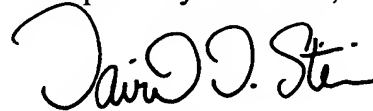
Conclusion

The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it would help expedite matters.

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